ON THE RANKS OF IWASAWA MODULES OVER $p$-ADIC LIE EXTENSIONS

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Abstract. In this paper we study Iwasawa modules arising from Galois cohomology over general $p$-adic Lie extensions both in the local and global case. In particular we calculate their $\Lambda$-ranks. Then we apply the results to abelian varieties.

1. Introduction

The Iwasawa theory for an elliptic curve over a $\mathbb{Z}_p$-extension of a number field was begun by B. Mazur ([Ma], 1972). Some years later, M. Harris began the study of the Iwasawa theory of an elliptic curve over the $GL_2(\mathbb{Z}_p)$-extension of a number field ([Ha1], 1979).

Let $E$ be an elliptic curve over a number field $K$ without complex multiplication over $\bar{K}$ and consider $K_\infty = K(E[p^\infty])$, the field obtained by adjoining all $p$-power division points $E[p^\infty]$ of $E(\bar{K})$. By Serre’s theorem [Se2, IV 2.2], after fixing a $\mathbb{Z}_p$-basis of the Tate module $T_pE$, the Galois group $G = G(K_\infty/K)$ is identified with an open subgroup of $GL_2(\mathbb{Z}_p)$, so $G$ is a $p$-adic analytic group of dimension 4. The aim of this paper is to study Iwasawa modules, i.e. modules over the completed group algebra of $G$

$$\Lambda(G) := \lim_{\leftarrow} \mathbb{Z}_p[G/U],$$

where $U$ runs over all normal open subgroups of $G$. While at the moment we restrict to $GL_2$-extensions, we should point out that most of our results are obtained for general $p$-adic analytic extensions $K_\infty$ over $K$.

One of the important Iwasawa modules is the Selmer group defined as follows:

$$\text{Sel}(E/K_\infty)\{p\} := \ker(\text{H}^1(K_\infty, E[p^\infty]) \to \prod \text{H}^1(K_{\infty,w}, E)(p)).$$

Since the cohomology groups have a natural continuous $G$-action as well as an action of $\mathbb{Z}_p$, the Selmer group is a discrete $\Lambda(G)$-module. Let $S = S(K)$ be a finite set of places of $K$ such that $S$ contains all places above $p$ and $\infty$ and all places where $E$ has bad reduction. Denote by $K_S$ the maximal $S$-unramified extension of $K$ and write $G_S(K_\infty) = \text{Gal}(K_S/K_\infty)$. Then the Selmer group is also given by the following exact sequence

$$0 \to \text{Sel}(E/K_\infty)\{p\} \to \text{H}^1(G_S(K_\infty), E[p^\infty]) \to \lim_{\to} \bigoplus_{w \in S(K_n)} \text{H}^1(K_{n,w}, E)(p).$$

The vanishing of $\text{H}^2(G_S(K_\infty), E[p^\infty])$, which immediately follows from the theorem of Iwasawa on the weak Leopoldt conjecture ([NSW, 10.3.25]), will allow us to obtain an unconditional result on the $\Lambda(G)$-(co)rank of the middle term. Our main concern is with the (co)rank of the Selmer group over $K_\infty$ and there is a basic conjecture on this rank (Conjecture 7.4, also [CH, Conjecture 2.4]), but at this moment we are unable to prove this conjecture but have only some inequalities (Propositions 5.1 and 7.3).
The theory has recently made progress ([CH], [Ho3], [OV], [Su], [Ve1]), in particular structure theorems of torsion modules recently obtained by O. Venjakob (the $p$-torsion part, [Ve1]), S. Howson (the central torsion part, [Ho3]) and by J. Coates-P. Schneider-R. Sujatha (the general part, [CSS]). In this paper we will calculate the ranks of some Iwasawa modules arising from cohomology groups and determine their torsion submodules (see Theorems 3.2, 4.1, 4.3 etc.). We will also calculate the projective dimensions of certain Selmer groups (see Proposition 5.2 and Theorem 7.5) under the basic conjecture on the rank of the Selmer group mentioned above. In section 4 we refine Greenberg’s results on the structure of Galois cohomology groups in local $\mathbb{Z}_p$-extensions (Theorem 4.3).

Iwasawa’s initial work studied certain Galois groups as $\Gamma$-modules, where $\Gamma$ is a Galois group isomorphic to $\mathbb{Z}_p$ as a topological group. The section 4 of this paper extends this case to the cases of general $p$-adic Lie extensions, and with natural assumptions we prove analogous results as Iwasawa’s. Some of the results in the section were obtained by Harris but ours are slightly more general and we hope that our proofs are more structural by using Poitou-Tate duality.

This article will end with applications to the case of abelian varieties which was our main motivation of this work.

We will make a full use of the diagram in [OV, Lemma 4.5], and the language of homotopy theory of modules, which we will review in the next section. This is a quite different approach from Harris’ one that uses the common descent diagram [Ma, p. 231] and an asymptotic formula ([Ha1, Theorem 1.10 and Lemma 3.4.1], but [Ha2, Theorem 1.10] is better), neither of which shall appear in this paper.

2. Prerequisites

Let $K$ be a finite extension of $\mathbb{Q}$ and $p$ an odd prime number. Let $V$ be a $p$-adic Galois representation of $G_K$, which is unramified except a finite set of primes of $K$. For instance $V = V_pE := T_pE \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \mathbb{Q}_p$ where $T_pE$ denotes the Tate module. For such a $V$ we can take a finite set $S$ of places of $K$ containing each prime above $p$ and every archimedean place and every place whose inertia group acts nontrivially on $V$. $S_f(K)$ denotes a subset of $S(K)$ which consists of all finite places in $S(K)$ and $S_p(K)$ is $\{v \in S_f(K) : v | p\}$.

We say that an extension $K_\infty/K$ is a $p$-adic Lie extension if it is a Galois extension and the Galois group $\text{Gal}(K_\infty/K)$ is a compact $p$-adic Lie group of positive dimension. If it is a pro-$p$ Lie group, we say $K_\infty/K$ is a pro-$p$ Lie extension. Throughout this paper, whenever we consider a $p$-adic Lie extension $K_\infty$ of a number field $K$, we always assume that $K_\infty$ is contained in $K_S$ for some $S = S(K)$ associated to $V$. The $\text{GL}_2$-extension in the introduction and $\mathbb{Z}_p^r$-extensions are examples of $p$-adic Lie extensions.

Let us fix $V$ of dimension $\dim_{\mathbb{Q}_p} V = r$, take a Galois-invariant $\mathbb{Z}_p$-lattice $T$ of $V$ and put $A = V/T$. Let $K_\infty$ be a $p$-adic Lie extension of $K$ with Galois group $G = \text{Gal}(K_\infty/K)$ contained in $\Omega$, where $\Omega$ denotes the maximal $S$-ramified $p$-extension of $K(A)$, and $K_\infty(A)$ denotes the extension of $K$ defined by the kernel of the representation $\rho : G_K \rightarrow \text{Aut}(T)$. Put $\mathcal{H} = G(\Omega/K_\infty)$ and $\bar{G} = G(\Omega/K)$. Then we have established the following ([OV, 4.5]):
Diagram 2.1.

\[
\begin{array}{cccccc}
0 & \longrightarrow & H^2(G_{S,\infty}, A)^\vee & \longrightarrow & (N^{ab}(p)^\#)_H & \longrightarrow & \Lambda(G)^{rd} & \longrightarrow & Y_{A,K\infty} & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
& & \| & \cong & \| & \| & \| & \| & \| & \| & \| \\
0 & \longrightarrow & H^2(G_{S,\infty}, A)^\vee & \longrightarrow & (H^1(N^{ab}(p), A)^{\#})_H & \longrightarrow & H^1(R, A) & \longrightarrow & H^1(G_{S,\infty}, A)^\vee & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
0 & & & & & & & & 0 & & \\
\end{array}
\]

Furthermore, \( N^{ab}(p)^\# \) is a projective \( \Lambda(G) \)-module, hence \( (N^{ab}(p)^\#)_H \) a projective \( \Lambda(G) \)-module, and the latter module is isomorphic to \( (N^{ab}(p)_H)^\# \) if the action of \( H \) on \( A \) is trivial.

When \( K \) is a finite extension of \( \mathbb{Q}_l \) (including the case \( l = p \)), we have a similar diagram for any \( p \)-adic Lie extension \( K_{\infty}/K \) inside an algebraic closure \( \Omega \) of \( K \).

We will explain the notation as much as necessary for our applications.

(i) For a finitely generated \( \Lambda(G) \)-module \( M \), we defined

\[ M[A] = M^\#: = \text{Hom}_{Z_p, cont}(M, A)^\vee = M \otimes_{Z_p} A^\vee. \]

(ii) \( X = X_{A,K\infty} = H_1(H, A^\vee) \).

(iii) \( Y = Y_{A,K\infty} = (I(G)^\#)_H \), which has projective dimension \( \leq 1 \) if \( H^2(G_S(K_{\infty}), A) = 0 \) since \( (N^{ab}(p)_H)^\# \) is a projective \( \Lambda(G) \)-module.

(iv) \( J = J_{A,K\infty} = \ker((\Lambda(G)^\#)_H \rightarrow (A^\vee)_H) \), which has no nonzero torsion submodule.

(v) \( d = \dim_{F_p} H^1(G, F_p) \) ([NSW, 3.9.1]).

Next we recall the language of homotopy theory of modules. Three functors are defined on the homotopy (stable) category \( Ho(\Lambda) \) of finitely generated \( \Lambda \)-modules, the two of them we will use here: the loop space functor \( \Omega \) and the transpose functor \( D \). The transpose functor satisfies \( D^2 = 1 \). When two finitely generated \( \Lambda \)-modules \( M \) and \( N \) are isomorphic in the category (homotopically isomorphic), we write \( M \simeq N \).

There is the following important exact sequence:

\[ 0 \rightarrow E^1(DM) \rightarrow M^{\phi_M} \rightarrow M^{++} \rightarrow E^2(DM) \rightarrow 0. \]

A finitely generated \( \Lambda \)-module \( M \) is called reflexive if the map \( \phi_M \) in the sequence (5) is an isomorphism. It is proven that if \( \Lambda \) has no zero divisors and \( M \) is any finitely generated \( \Lambda \)-module, the set of all torsion elements in \( M \) forms a \( \Lambda \)-submodule of \( M \), and it is isomorphic to \( E^1(DM) =: \text{tor}_\Lambda(M) \). The following result of Jannsen ([Ja1, 2.6]) is of frequent use in the sequel. We simplify the statements for our purpose.
Proposition 2.2. Let $G$ be a $p$-adic Lie group of dimension $= cd_p(G) = n$ and $M$ a finitely generated $\Lambda(G)$-module, which is finitely generated as a $\mathbb{Z}_p$-module of rank $r$.

1. If $M$ is finite and nonzero, then $E^i(M) = 0$ except $i \neq n + 1$ and $E^{n+1}(M) \neq 0$.
2. If $M$ is a free $\mathbb{Z}_p$-module, then $E^i(M) = 0$ unless $i = n$ and $E^n(M)$ is a free $\mathbb{Z}_p$-module of rank $r$ and there is an isomorphism $E^n(M)^v \cong M \otimes D^{(p)}_G$, where $D^{(p)}_G$ denotes the $p$-dualizing module of $G$ ([NSW, p.149]).

Further Notation and Convention: We follow the notations in the paper [OV]. However the assumption on the prime number $p$ was unnecessarily too restrictive there. At least as long as abelian varieties are treated, the case $p = 2$ is OK too. In any case $p = 3$ has no problem. In general the “Assumption I” put in the next section will be enough for our applications. For more convenience of the reader, we put a list of the notations.

1. For an abelian group $A$, $A[p^n] := \ker(A \rightarrow A[p^n])$ and $A[p^\infty] := \bigcup_{n \geq 0} A[p^n]$. $\mu[p^\infty] = \mathbb{G}_m[p^\infty]$ where $\mathbb{G}_m$ denotes the multiplicative group scheme over $\bar{\mathbb{Q}}$.
2. For a $\mathbb{Z}_p$-module $N$, $N^v = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}_p, cont}(N, \mathbb{Q}_p / \mathbb{Z}_p)$, is the Pontryagin dual of $N$, and for a $p$-divisible $\mathbb{Z}_p$-module, $N^* = \lim_{\leftarrow i} \text{Hom}(\mu[p^i] N, \mu[p^i]) = T(N)^v(1)$, where $T(N) = \text{Hom}(\mathbb{Q}_p / \mathbb{Z}_p, N) = \lim_{\leftarrow p} N$.
3. By a Noetherian ring, we mean a left and right Noetherian ring (with a multiplicative unit). By $pd(\Lambda)$ we denote the projective dimension of $\Lambda$. The global dimension of $\Lambda$ is denoted by $pd(\Lambda)$.
4. Let $G$ be a profinite group and $H$ a closed subgroup of $G$. For a $\Lambda(H)$-module $M$, we define $\text{Ind}^H_G M := M \otimes_{\Lambda(H)} \Lambda(G)$ (compact induction), where $\otimes$ denotes completed tensor product. Also $\text{Coind}^H_G M := \text{Hom}_{\Lambda(H)}(M, \Lambda(G))$.
5. Let $K$ be a field of characteristic $0$. We write $G_K$ for the absolute Galois group $G(K/K)$. For a $G_K$-module $A$, we use the notation $A(K) := H^0(G(K/K), A)$.
6. Let $\Lambda$ be a ring, and $M$ a $\Lambda$-module. Then $E^i(M) := \text{Ext}^i_{\Lambda}(M, \Lambda)$, and in the case $i = 0$, we also write $M^+ := E^0(M)$.
7. Galois cohomology is always continuous one.
8. The $G$-module $\mathbb{Q}_p / \mathbb{Z}_p$ denotes an abelian group $\mathbb{Q}_p / \mathbb{Z}_p$ on which $G$ acts trivially.
9. For a finitely generated abelian $p$-primary group $A$ we denote by $A_{div}$ the quotient of $A$ by its maximal $p$-divisible subgroup.

3. The Global Case

Let us fix a prime number $p$, a number field $K$, $V$, $T$ and $S = S(K)$ as in the previous section. For a $p$-adic Lie extension $K_\infty/K$, we write $X_S = H^1(G_S(K_\infty), A)^v$ and $U_v = H^1(K_{\infty,v}, A)^v$.

Proposition 3.1. For any $p$-adic Lie extension $K_\infty/K$, $X_S$ and $\bigoplus_{v \in S(K)} \text{Ind}^G_{G_v} U_v$ are finitely generated over $\Lambda(G)$.

Proof: This is immediate from the diagram. Firstly $Y$ is finitely generated since there is a surjective morphism from a free $\Lambda$-module of finite rank. As $\Lambda$ is Noetherian, $X_S$ is also finitely generated. In the same way $U_v$ is finitely generated over $\Lambda(G_v)$ and hence there is a surjective map $\Lambda(G_v)^{\times k} \rightarrow U_v$. Therefore there is also a surjective map...
\[ \Lambda(G)^k = \Lambda(G) \otimes_{\Lambda(G,v)} \Lambda(G(v)) = \Lambda(G) \otimes_{\Lambda(G,v)} U_v. \] It should be now obvious that the \( \Lambda(G) \)-module \( \bigoplus_{v \in S(K)} \text{Ind}_{G}^{G_v} U_v = \bigoplus_{v \in S(K)} (\Lambda(G) \otimes_{\Lambda(G,v)} U_v) \) is finitely generated over \( \Lambda(G) \).

Let us recall the fact that if \( G \) is any pro-\( p \) group and has no element of order \( p \), then \( \Lambda(G) \) has no divisors of zero (see [DSMS]). It follows that \( \Lambda(G) \) has a unique quotient field \( Q(\Lambda) \) (division ring). For any finitely generated module \( M \) over such a \( \Lambda(G) \), we define the rank of \( M \), denoted by \( \text{rk}_\Lambda(M) \), to be \( \dim_{Q(\Lambda)}(M \otimes \Lambda Q(\Lambda)) \).

Now we make the following assumption, which we will have to assume at many places.

**Assumption I:** The prime number \( p \) is odd or if \( p = 2 \), then all global fields considered are totally imaginary.

The following is a generalization of the one in the \( \mathbb{Z}_p \)-case ([Gr1, Prop. 3]) to general pro-\( p \) Lie extensions, assuming the above assumption.

**Theorem 3.2.** Assume the Assumption I. Let \( K \) be a number field and \( A, S \) as above. For a pro-\( p \) Lie extension \( K_\infty/K \) such that \( \Lambda \) is an integral domain, i.e., has no zero divisor, we have
\[ \text{rk}_\Lambda(H^1(G_\infty, A)^\vee) - \text{rk}_\Lambda(H^2(G_\infty, A)^\vee) = r_2(K) \times r \]
where \( r \) is the \( \mathbb{Z}_p \)-corank of \( A \) and \( r_2(K) \) is the number of complex places of \( K \).

**Proof:** By [Ja1, 5.4],
\[ (N^{ab}(p))_{H} \cong \bigoplus_{v \in S'_\infty(K)} \text{Ind}_{G}^{G_v} \mathbb{Z}_p \bigoplus \Lambda(G)^{d-r_1-r_2-1} \]
where \( S'_\infty(K) \) is the set of real places of \( K \) which ramify in \( K_\infty \) and \( r'_1 = \#S'_\infty(K) \). Since \( G \) is a pro-\( p \) group, \( \Lambda(G) \) is a local ring and any projective module is free. Hence \( N^{ab}(p) \) is a free \( \Lambda(G) \)-module: \( N^{ab}(p) \cong \Lambda(G)^s \) for some \( s \). Then \( (N^{ab}(p)[A])_{H} \cong (\Lambda(G)^s[A])_{H} = \Lambda(G)^s = (N^{ab}(p)[A])_{H} \). Hence from the isomorphism (7), with the Assumption I, \( s = d - r_2 - 1 \). From the Diagram 2.1, the result follows. Note \( \text{rk}_\Lambda(J_{A,K_\infty}) = r \).

We should also like to consider the inverse limit version of these modules. We write
\[ H^1_{I_w}(K_\infty, T_p A) := \lim_{\substack{n, m}} H^1(G_s(K_n), p^m A). \]

Under the Assumption I, \( H^1_{I_w}(K_\infty, T_p A) = 0 \) for \( i > 2 \) since \( \text{cd}_p(G_s(K_n)) \leq 2 \).

**Theorem 3.3.** The \( \Lambda \)-modules \( H^1_{I_w}(K_\infty, T_p A) \) are finitely generated and
\[ \text{rk}_\Lambda(H^1_{I_w}(K_\infty, T_p A)) = \text{rk}_\Lambda(H^1(G_s(K_\infty), A)^\vee). \]

**Proof:** There is the following spectral sequence due to Jannsen ([Ja2]):
\[ E^2_{p,q} = E^0(H^q(G_s(K_\infty), A)^\vee) \Rightarrow H^{p+q}_{I_w}(K_\infty, T_p A). \]

This gives the following exact sequence:
\[ E^1(A(K_\infty)^\vee) \rightarrow H^1_{I_w}(K_\infty, T_p A) \rightarrow E^0(H^1(G_s(K_\infty), A)^\vee) \rightarrow E^2(A(K_\infty)^\vee) \]

But \( E^i(M) \) are all torsion modules for \( i \geq 1 \) and any finitely generated \( \Lambda \)-module \( M \) (cf. [OV]). Therefore we obtain
\[ \text{rk}_\Lambda(H^1(G_s(K_\infty), A)^\vee) = \text{rk}_\Lambda(E^0(H^1(G_s(K_\infty), A)^\vee)) = \text{rk}_\Lambda(H^1_{I_w}(K_\infty, T_p A)). \]
There is a filtration $E_2^2 \subset E_1^2 \subset E_0^2 = E^2$ such that $E^2 = E_0^2 / E_1^2 \cong E^{0,2}$, $E_1^2 / E_2^2 \cong E^{1,1}$ and $E_2^2 \cong E^{1,0}$. This shows that $\text{rk}_\Lambda (H^2(G_S(K_\infty), A)^\vee) = \text{rk}_\Lambda (H^1_{Iw}(K_\infty, T_pA))$. It is clear that $H^1_{Iw}(K_\infty, T_pA)$ are finitely generated over $\Lambda$. \hfill $\square$

**Remark:** The spectral sequence of Jannsen and Proposition 3.3 also holds for any $\ell$-adic local field, hence so does Theorem 3.3 (see Theorem 4.1 below).

By Propositions 3.2 and 3.3, we have

\[ \text{rk}_\Lambda (H^1_{Iw}(K_\infty, T_pA)) - \text{rk}_\Lambda (H^1_{Iw}(K_\infty, T_pA)) = r_2(K) \times \mathbb{Z}_p\text{-corank}(A). \tag{12} \]

From Proposition 2.2 and the long exact sequence (11), if $\text{dim}(G(K_\infty/k)) \geq 2$, then $H^1_{Iw}(K_\infty, T_pA)$ has no nonzero torsion submodule. But more can be said:

**Proposition 3.4.** Let $K$ be a number field, and $K_\infty/K$ a $p$-adic Lie extension such that $\text{dim}(G(K_\infty/K)) \geq 3$. Then $H^1_{Iw}(K_\infty, T_pA)$ is reflexive.

**Proof:** Put $X = H^1(G_S(K_\infty), A)^\vee$ and $\mathbf{H}^1 = H^1_{Iw}(K_\infty, T_pA)$. Then from the sequence (11), Proposition 2.2 and the assumption, we have $\mathbf{H}^1 = X^\perp$. Hence the sequence (5) becomes

\[ 0 \to E^1(\mathcal{D}X) \to X \xrightarrow{\phi} (\mathbf{H}^1)^\perp \to E^2(\mathcal{D}X) \to 0. \tag{13} \]

Put $M = \text{Coker}(\phi)$. Then the exact sequence $0 \to M \to (\mathbf{H}^1)^\perp \to E^2(\mathcal{D}X) \to 0$ yields $0 \to (\mathbf{H}^1)^{\perp \perp} \to M^\perp \to E^3(\mathcal{D}X)$. But $E^1E^2(\mathcal{D}X) = 0$ according to [OV, 2.4.3]. Therefore $(\mathbf{H}^1)^{\perp \perp} = M^\perp$. Another sequence $0 \to E^1(\mathcal{D}X) \to X \to M \to 0$ shows $M^\perp = X^\perp = \mathbf{H}^1$. Hence $\mathbf{H}^1 = (\mathbf{H}^1)^{\perp \perp}$. \hfill $\square$

**Proposition 3.5.** Let $K$ be a number field, and $K_\infty/K$ a $p$-adic Lie extension such that $\text{dim}(G(K_\infty/K)) \geq 2$ and the Iwasawa algebra $\Lambda$ is an integral domain. Then

\[ \text{tor}_\Lambda (H^1(G_S(K_\infty), A)^\vee) \cong E^1(H^2_{Iw}(K_\infty, T_pA)). \tag{14} \]

**Proof:** Since $J$ has no torsion part (see Section 2), $\text{tor}_\Lambda (X) = \text{tor}_\Lambda (Y)$. But [OV, 4.10] says $\text{DY} \simeq H^1_{Iw}(K_\infty, T_pA)$. Hence $E^1(\text{DY}) = E^1(H^2_{Iw}(K_\infty, T_pA))$. \hfill $\square$

Because of the isomorphism (14), the structure of $H^2_{Iw}(K_\infty, T_pA)$ is more interesting but nothing is known except that if $H^2(G_S(K_\infty), A) = 0$, it is torsion by Theorem 3.3. The structure of $H^i(G_S(K_\infty), A)^\vee$ in the $\mathbb{Z}_p$ case, for $i = 1, 2$, is known as follows. Let us prove those from the results above.

**Proposition 3.6 ([Gr1]).** Let $K_\infty/K$ be a $\mathbb{Z}_p$-extension and $p$ odd. Then

1. $H^2(G_S(K_\infty), A)^\vee$ is a free $\Lambda$-module.
2. If $H^2(G_S(K_\infty), A)^\vee = 0$, then $H^1(G_S(K_\infty), A)^\vee$ has no finite submodule.

**Proof:** Since $(\mathcal{N}^{ab}(p)^\#)_K$ is free and $pd(\Lambda) = 2$ in this case, $H^2(G_S(K_\infty), A)^\vee$ must be a projective $\Lambda$-module, and hence a free $\Lambda$-module as $\Lambda$ is a local ring. If $H^2(G_S(K_\infty), A)^\vee = 0$, then $pd_1(Y) \leq 1$, and hence it has no finite submodule ([NSW, 5.5.3, iv]), and therefore $X = H^1(G_S(K_\infty), A)^\vee$ has no finite submodule. \hfill $\square$

For general $p$-adic Lie extensions, the first statement of the above proposition may not be true in general, though in many interesting cases it is predicted to be zero (see below “Assumption II”). At least it is torsion-free and $H^2(G_S(K_\infty), A)^\vee \simeq \Omega^2 Y$. The second statement of the proposition has been extended to higher dimensional pro-$p$ Lie extensions, by Greenberg and Nguyen-Quang-Do (see [Ng]) in the commutative cases, and by the second author in the noncommutative cases (see [Ve1, 3.0.3] or [OV, 4.6]).
Throughout this section $K$ denotes a finite extension of $\mathbb{Q}_p$. Let $A$ be as above and $K_\infty/K$ a $p$-adic Lie extension. First let us calculate a rank. We must assume that $\Lambda = \Lambda(G)$ is an integral domain. We begin by noting that $H^2(K_\infty, A) = 0$, because $G_1$ has $p$-cohomological dimension $\leq 1$ for any infinite Galois extension $L$ of $K$ such that $G(L/K)$ contains an infinite pro-$p$ subgroup ([NSW, 7.1.8.i]).

**Theorem 4.1.** Let $K_\infty/K$ be a pro-$p$ Lie extension and denote the $\mathbb{Z}_p$-corank of $A$ by $r$. Then

$$\text{rk}_\Lambda H^1(K_\infty, A)^\vee = \begin{cases} r[K : \mathbb{Q}_p] & \text{if } \ell = p \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The proof is similar to the one of Proposition 3.2, which will use the structure of $\mathcal{N}^{ab}(p)_G$ in the local case ([Ja1, 5.1,c] in the case $\ell = p$). In the case $\ell \neq p$, we have $\mathcal{N}^{ab}(p)_G = \Lambda$ and $d = 2$ if $K$ contains $\mu_p$ and $\mathcal{N}^{ab}(p)_G = 0$ and $d = 1$ otherwise. For the calculation of $d = \dim_p H^1(K, \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})$ see [NSW, 7.3.9]. The proof of the structure of $\mathcal{N}^{ab}(p)_G$ is the same as the one for the case $\ell = p$, ([Ja1] or [NSW, 7.4.1]). Let us dare to have proof here as it is rather interesting. Firstly we look at the exact sequence of Galois groups $1 \to N \to R \to G_{K_n} \to 1$ (see the diagram just before Lemma 4.5 in [OV]; here we take $H = G(\Omega/K_n)$). The inflation-restriction homology sequence with this sequence is

$$H^2(K_n, \mathbb{Q}_p / \mathbb{Z}_p)^\vee \to H_1(N, \mathbb{Z}_p)_{G_{K_n}} \to H_1(R, \mathbb{Z}_p) \to H_1(K_n, \mathbb{Z}_p) \to 0.$$ 

But $H^2(K_n, \mathbb{Q}_p / \mathbb{Z}_p) = 0$ (use Tate’s local duality). Hence we get

$$0 \to \mathcal{N}^{ab}(p)_{G_{K_n}} \to \mathcal{R}^{ab}(p) \to G^{ab}_{K_n}(p) \to 0.$$ 

In the Grothendieck group $K_0(\mathbb{Q}_p[G_n])$, where $G_n = \text{Gal}(K_n/K)$, we have

$$[\mathcal{N}^{ab}(p)_{G_{K_n}} \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p] = [\mathcal{R}^{ab}(p) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p] - [G^{ab}_{K_n}(p) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p].$$ 

To calculate $[\mathcal{R}^{ab}(p) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p]$, we use the following exact sequence (“Fox-Lyndon resolution”, [OV, Section 4.1]):

$$0 \to \mathcal{R}^{ab}(p) \to \mathbb{Q}_p[G_n]^d \to \mathbb{Q}_p[G_n] \to \mathbb{Z}_p \to 0$$

This sequence implies


By local class field theory,

$$G^{ab}_{K_n}(p) \cong \lim_{\longrightarrow} K_n^\times / (K_n^\times)^{p^n} \cong H^1(K_n, \mathbb{Z}_p(1)).$$

Since $\ell \neq p$, $[H^1(K_n, \mathbb{Z}_p(1)) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p] = [\mathbb{Q}_p]$ ([NSW, 7.3.10]). In conclusion we have obtained $[\mathcal{N}^{ab}(p)_{G_{K_n}} \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p] = [\mathbb{Q}_p][G_n]^{d-1}$. Since $\mathcal{N}^{ab}(p)_G$ is a projective $\Lambda$-module, $\mathcal{N}^{ab}(p)_G \cong \Lambda^{d-1}$. By (5.6.10) in [NSW] we get the result as required. Now the structure of $\mathcal{N}^{ab}(p)_G$ is determined in both cases $\ell = p$ and $\ell \neq p$, we obtain Theorem 4.1 in the same way as Theorem 3.2.

We now assume $K_\infty/K$ is a $\mathbb{Z}_p$-extension. In this case Greenberg has proved the following basic results on the structure of the cohomology group $H^1(K_\infty, A)^\vee$. 

**Proposition 4.2** ([Gr1]). Let $K_\infty/K$ be a $\mathbb{Z}_p$-extension and $r = \mathbb{Z}_p$ -corank of $A$. Put $m = r[K : \mathbb{Q}_p]$. 

4. **Local Results**

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(1) Assume \( \ell = p \). Then \( H^1(K_\infty, A)^\vee \cong \Lambda^m \bigoplus T_p A^*(K_\infty) \), where \( \sim \) means pseudo-isomorphism.

(2) Assume \( \ell = p \). If \( A^*(K_\infty) \) is finite, then \( X = H^1(K_\infty, A)^\vee \) is isomorphic to a submodule of \( \Lambda^m \) of finite index. The quotient \( \Lambda^m / X \) is isomorphic to a submodule of \( A^*(K_\infty) \).

(3) Assume \( \ell = p \). If \( A^*(K_\infty) = 0 \), then \( H^1(K_\infty, A)^\vee \) is a free \( \Lambda \)-module of rank \( m \).

(4) Assume \( \ell \neq p \). Then \( H^1(K_\infty, A)^\vee \cong T_p A^*(K_\infty) \). If \( A^*(K_\infty) \) is finite, then \( H^1(K_\infty, A) = 0 \).

We shall extend this result to extensions the Galois group of which is the semidirect product of \( \Gamma \cong \mathbb{Z}_p \) with a finite group of order prime to \( p \). Moreover, we get canonical exact sequences instead of just pseudo-isomorphisms.

**Theorem 4.3.** Let \( K_\infty/K \) be a Galois extension with the Galois group \( G \cong \Gamma \rtimes \omega \Delta \), where \( \Gamma \cong \mathbb{Z}_p \) and \( \Delta \) is a finite group of order \( t \) prime to \( p \), which acts on \( \Gamma \) via the character \( \omega : \Delta \to \mathbb{Z}_p^\times \). We write \( \chi = \omega^{-1} \) for the inverse of the character (of \( G \)) which determines the action on the \( p \)-dualizing module of \( G \) and we set \( X = H^1(K_\infty, A^*)^\vee \cong H^1_{\text{inv}}(K_\infty, T_p A) \). Let \( r \) be the \( \mathbb{Z}_p \)-codimension of \( A^* \).

1. If \( l = p \), then the \( \Lambda(G) \)-module \( X \) fits into the canonical exact sequence
   \[
   0 \to T_p A(K_\infty) \to X \to P \to N \to 0
   \]
   where \( P \) is a projective \( \Lambda(G) \)-module of \( \text{rk}_\Lambda(G) P = rt[K : \mathbb{Q}_p] \) and the finite module \( N \) is determined by the exact sequence
   \[
   0 \to N \to A(K_\infty)_{\text{div}}(\chi) \to \text{tor}_\mathbb{Z}_p(A^*(K_\infty)^\vee).
   
   Furthermore,
   (a) if \( A(K_\infty) \) is finite, then \( T_p A(K_\infty)(\chi) = 0 \). If, in addition, \( A^*(K_\infty)^\vee \) is \( \mathbb{Z}_p \)-free, then \( N \cong A(K_\infty) \).
   (b) if \( A(K_\infty)^\vee \) is \( \mathbb{Z}_p \)-free, then \( X \cong P \oplus T_p A(K_\infty)(\chi) \). In particular, \( X \) is projective, if \( A(K_\infty) = 0 \).

2. If \( l \neq p \), then the \( \Lambda(G) \)-module \( X \) is isomorphic to
   \[
   X \cong T_p A(K_\infty)(\chi).
   
**Proof:** Recall the basic sequence of homotopy theory of modules:

(19) \[ 0 \to E^1(DX) \to X \to X^{++} \to E^2(DX) \to 0. \]

By [OV, Lemma 4.10 ,Proposition 4.11 ], we have

\[
E^1(DY) = E^1(A(K_\infty)^\vee) = T_p A(K_\infty)(\chi),
\]

where the last equality follows from Proposition 2.2 and the fact that \( D_1^{(p)}(\Gamma) = \mathbb{Q}_p / \mathbb{Z}_p(\omega) \). Since \( J \) has no torsion, \( E^1(DX) = \text{tor}_\Lambda(X) = \text{tor}_\Lambda(Y) = E^1(DY) = T_p A(K_\infty)(\chi) \).

From the exact sequence

\[
0 \to X \to Y \to J \to 0,
\]

we get an exact sequence

\[
E^1(J) \to E^1(X) \to E^1(Y) \to E^2(J) = 0,
\]

since \( J \) has no nonzero finite submodule([Ja1, 3.1.d]). From the exact sequence

\[
0 \to J \to \Lambda[A^*] \to A^*(K_\infty)^\vee \to 0,
\]
we get $E^1(J) = E^2(A^*(K_\infty)^\vee) = A^*(K_\infty)_{\text{div}}(\chi)$. Hence we have obtained the exact sequence

$$A^*(k_\infty)_{\text{div}}(\chi) \xrightarrow{\partial} E^1(Y) \to E^1(X) \to 0.$$  

Denote $C = \text{Coker}(\phi)$ and decompose this sequence into

$$0 \to C \to E^1(Y) \to E^1(X) \to 0$$

and

$$E^1(J) \xrightarrow{f} C \to 0.$$  

From the first one, we get

$$E^1(C) \to E^2(DX) \to E^2(DY) \to E^2(C) \to 0,$$

while from the second one

$$0 \to E^1(C) \to E^1E^1(J) = E^1(E^2(A^*(K_\infty)^\vee)) = 0,$$

since $E^2(A^*(K_\infty)^\vee)$ is finite ([Ja1, 3.1 (d)], and Proposition 2.2). Hence $E^1(C) = 0$ and $E^2(DX)$ is a submodule of $E^2(DY) = E^2(A(K_\infty))^\vee = A^*(K_\infty)_{\text{div}}(\chi)$ while it is easily seen that $E^2(C) \subseteq \text{tor}_{Z_p}(A^*(K_\infty)^\vee)$ holds.

The facts that $\text{pd}(\Lambda) = 2$ and $\Lambda$ is local imply that $X^{++}$ is a projective $\Lambda$-module. Hence from all the things shown above, we obtain the following exact sequence

$$0 \to T_pA(K_\infty) \to X \to P \to N \to 0$$

where $N$ is a submodule of the finite module $A^*(K_\infty)_{\text{div}}(\chi)$.

As we have already calculated, the rank of $X$, $\text{rk}_\Lambda(X) = rt[K : Q_p]$ if $\ell = p$ and 0 otherwise, and obviously $\text{rk}(X) = \text{rk}(X^{++})$.\]

This theorem gives another proof of the following

**Corollary 4.4 ([Gr2, 2.3]).** Let $V$ be a one-dimensional $p$-adic representation of $G_K$ and $A = V/T$ with any $G_K$-invariant $Z_p$-lattice $T$ in $V$. Then the $Z_p$-corank of $H^1(K, A)$ is $[K : Q_p] + \delta$, where $\delta = 1$ if $A = Q_p/Z_p$ or $A = \mu_{p^{\infty}}$, and $\delta = 0$ otherwise.

**Proof:** Let $K_\infty/K$ be the cyclotomic $Z_p$-extension with the Galois group $\Gamma$. Suppose $A \neq \mu_{p^{\infty}}$. Since there is no proper submodule of $Q_p/Z_p$ of finite index, $A^*(K_\infty)$ is finite. Put $H^1 = H^1_{Iw}(K_\infty, T_pA^*)$. We have the following exact short sequence

$$0 \to H^1 \to A^{[K : Q_p]} \to N \to 0$$

with some finite submodule $N$. Taking $\Gamma$-homology, we know the $Z_p$-rank of $H^1_I$ is $[K : Q_p]$. Hence by the local duality, the $Z_p$-rank of $(H^1(K_\infty, A)^\vee)_{\Gamma}$ is also $[K : Q_p]$.

Next we look at the exact inflation-restriction sequence:

$$0 \to H^1(\Gamma, A(K_\infty)) \to H^1(K, A) \to H^1(K, A)^\Gamma \to 0.$$  

Now assume moreover $A \neq Q_p/Z_p$. Then $H^1(\Gamma, A(K_\infty))$ is finite, hence the $Z_p$-corank of $H^1(K, A)$ is $[K : Q_p]$. If $A = Q_p/Z_p$, then the $Z_p$-corank of $H^1(K, Q_p/Z_p)$ is $[K : Q_p] + 1$.

Finally let us consider the case $A = \mu_{p^{\infty}}$. In this case we will get similarly an exact sequence

$$0 \to Z_p \to H^1 \xrightarrow{f} A^{[K : Q_p]} \to W \to 0$$
with some finite $W$. Put $Z = \text{Coker}(f)$. Then $H_1(\Gamma, Z) = H_2(\Gamma, W)$ is finite, hence the $\mathbb{Z}_p^\alpha$-rank of $H^1_1 = [K : \mathbb{Q}_p] + 1$. Since $H^1(\Gamma, A(K_\infty))$ finite, we get the $\mathbb{Z}_p$-corank of $H^1_1(K, \mu_{p^\infty}) = [K : \mathbb{Q}_p] + 1$. □

In the higher dimensional case the results are not as fine as above but still we obtain the following

**Proposition 4.5.** Let $K_\infty/K$ be an $p$-adic Lie extension with Galois group $G$, such that $\text{dim}(G) \geq 2$. Then the following hold:

1. If $p \neq l$, then $H^1(K_\infty, A)^\vee = 0$.
2. If $p = l$, then $H^1(K_\infty, A)^\vee$ is a torsion-free $\Lambda(G)$-module, which is even reflexive in case $cd_p \geq 3$.

The proof is completely analogous to that of theorem 4.3 using again 2.2 and [OV, 4.10, 4.11], see also [OV, 5.4]. Note that in the case $p \neq l$ the Galois group $G_k(p) \cong \mathbb{Z}_p(1) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_p$ of the maximal $p$-extension of any local field over $\mathbb{Q}_\ell$ does not have any proper quotient $G$ of $\text{dim}(G) \geq 2$.

## 5. Selmer Groups

Let $K$ be a number field and $V$ and $T$ as in Section 2. The Bloch-Kato Selmer group $\text{Sel}^{BK}(K, A)$ is defined as follows ([BK]):

$$\text{Sel}^{BK}(K, V/T) := \ker(H^1(K, V/T) \rightarrow \prod \tilde{H}^1(K_v, V/T)).$$

Here, the definition of $\tilde{H}^1$ is the following:

$$\tilde{H}^1(K_v, V/T) = H^1(K_v, V/T)/\text{Im}(H^1_1(K_v, V/T))$$

where $\text{Im}(H^1_1(K_v, V/T))$ is the image of $H^1_1(K_v, V)$ under the natural map $V \rightarrow V/T$ and $H^1_1(K_v, V)$ is defined as follows:

If $v$ does not divide $p$, then

$$H^1_1(K_v, V) := \ker(H^1(K_v, V) \rightarrow \prod H^1(K_v^{nr}, V))$$

where $K_v^{nr}$ denotes the maximal unramified extension of $K_v$;

If $v$ divides $p$, then

$$H^1_1(K_v, V) := \ker(H^1(K_v, V) \rightarrow \prod H^1(K_v, V \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}_p} B_{\text{crys}}))$$

where $B_{\text{crys}}$ is the period ring defined by Fontaine ([Fo]).

It is shown in [BK] that for $V_p(E)$, where $E$ is an elliptic curve over $K$, $H^1_1(K_v, V) = E(K_v) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \mathbb{Q}_p$ and $\text{Sel}^{BK}(K, V/T) = \text{Sel}^{BK}(K, E[p^\infty]) = \text{Sel}(E/K)\{p\}.$

On the other hand Greenberg has defined a Selmer group for $V$ which satisfies the so-called Panchishkin condition ([Gr3]). Let us recall the definition: $V$ is said to satisfy the Panchishkin condition at the place $v$ if

- $V$ is de Rham.
- There is an exact sequence of $p$-adic representations

$$0 \rightarrow \hat{V} \rightarrow V \rightarrow \tilde{V} \rightarrow 0$$

where $\hat{V}$ and $\tilde{V}$ satisfy $\hat{V} \otimes \mathbb{C}_p \cong \bigoplus_{i>0} \mathbb{C}_p(i)^{\oplus k_i}$ and $\tilde{V} \otimes \mathbb{C}_p \cong \bigoplus_{i \leq 0} \mathbb{C}_p(i)^{\oplus k_i}$ as $G_{K_v}$-modules.
If $V$ satisfies the Panchishkin condition, then it satisfies the ordinary condition in the sense of [Gr1]. For a $p$-adic representation satisfying the Panchishkin condition, the Selmer group is defined in the following way:

$$(23) \quad \text{Sel}^{Gr}(K, A) := \ker(H^1(G_S(K), A) \xrightarrow{\phi} \prod_{v \mid p} H^1(K^{nr}_v, A/F_v^+ A) \oplus \prod_{v \mid p, v \in S} H^1(K^{nr}_v, A),$$

where $F_v^+ A$ is a submodule of $A$ defined by $\tilde{V}$ in the Panchishkin filtration ($F_v^+ A$ is the image of $\tilde{V}$ in $A$ under the natural map), and $S$ is a finite set of primes of $K$ satisfying the condition as before.

We have the following long exact sequence deduced from Poitou-Tate’s global duality and Tate’s local duality:

$$0 \to \text{Sel}^{BK}(K, V/T) \to H^1(G_S(K), V/T) \to \bigoplus_{v \in S(K)} \tilde{H}^1(K_v, V/T) \xrightarrow{\psi} \text{Sel}^{BK}(K, T^*) \to H^2(G_S(K), V/T).$$

Here $\text{Sel}(K, T^*)$ is defined as follows: Put $B_v = \text{Im}H^1(K_v, V)$. Let $C_v$ be the orthogonal complement of $B_v$ under the perfect paring of Tate’s duality theorem. Then we define the Selmer group $\text{Sel}^{BK}(K, T^*)$ as follows:

$$(24) \quad \text{Sel}^{BK}(K, T^*) := \ker(H^1(G_S(K), T^*) \to \bigoplus_{v \in S(K)} H^1(K_v, T^*)/C_v).$$

The map $\psi$ in the long exact sequence is obtained as follows. Put $A = V/T$ as before. Let us make the following notation: Write for any $i \geq 0$

$$(25) \quad \text{III}^i(G_S(K), A) := \ker(H^i(G_S(K), A) \to \bigoplus_{S} H^i(K_v, A)).$$

By Poitou-Tate global duality we have the following commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
0 & \to & \text{III}^1(G_S(K), A^*)/ \cong \text{III}^2(G_S(K), A) \to H^2(G_S(K), A) \to H^3(G_S(K), A) \to 0 \\
\uparrow & & \uparrow \\
H^1(G_S(K), A^*) & \cong & \bigoplus_{S} H^1(K_v, A^*) \\
\uparrow & & \uparrow \\
\bigoplus_{S} H^1(K_v, A^*) \cong \bigoplus_{S} H^1(K_v, T) & \cong & \bigoplus_{S} H^1(K_v, T)/C_v \\
\bigcup & \bigcup & \bigcup \\
\bigoplus_{S} (H^1(K_v, A^*)/C_v) & = & \bigoplus_{S} B_v
\end{array}$$

(by perfect paring)
Hence we get the following diagram commutative, which gives the long exact sequence:

\[
\begin{array}{cccccc}
0 & 0 \\
\downarrow & \downarrow \\
\bigoplus_{S} B_v & = & \bigoplus_{S} (H^1(K_v, A^*)/C_v)^{\vee} \\
\downarrow & \downarrow \\
H^1(G_S(K), A) & \rightarrow & H^1(K_v, A) & \rightarrow & H^1(G_S(K), T^*)^{\vee} & \rightarrow H^2(G_S(K), A) \\
\| & | & \downarrow & | & \| \\
H^1(G_S(K), A) & \rightarrow & H^1(K_v, A) & \rightarrow & \text{Sel}^{BK}(K, T^*)^{\vee} & \rightarrow H^2(G_S(K), A) \\
\downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0
\end{array}
\]

Over an infinite Galois extension $K_{\infty}$ of $K$ we define the Selmer groups $\text{Sel}^{BK}(K_{\infty}, V/T)$ to be the direct limit of the Selmer group over each layer. The same with $\text{Sel}^{Gr}(K_{\infty}, V/T)$.

We have similar long exact sequences as above for $\text{Sel}^{BK}(K_{\infty}, V/T)$, $\text{Sel}^{Gr}(K_{\infty}, V/T)$, and $\text{Sel}^{Gr}(K_{\infty}, V/T)$.

The finitely generatedness of $H^1(G_S(K_{\infty}), V/T)^{\vee}$ implies the one of $\text{Sel}^{BK}(K_{\infty}, V/T)$ for $\vdash = BK$ or $Gr$.

From now on we assume that $V$ satisfies the Panchishkin condition, we consider the Greenberg’s Selmer group $\text{Sel}^{Gr}(K_{\infty}, V/T)$ and omit $Gr$ from the notation. Note that $\text{Sel}^{BK}(K, V/T)$ is a submodule of $\text{Sel}^{Gr}(K, V/T)$. We also assume the following

**Assumption II:** $H^2(G_S(K_{\infty}), A) = 0$.

For instance if $K_{\infty}$ contains the cyclotomic $\mathbb{Z}_p$-extension, then this is believed to hold ([Gr1, Conjecture 3]).

The structure of the Selmer group, in particular, in the case $V = V_p(E)$, has been studied in [OV], where $E/K$ is an elliptic curve without complex multiplication and has good ordinary reduction at any prime over $p$. There are also interesting results in other different cases (cf. [Gr2] and [Pe]). The following is easy.

**Proposition 5.1.** Assume the Assumptions I and II. Then we have inequalities

\[
(26) \quad r \cdot r_2(K) - \sum_{v \in S_p} [K_v : \mathbb{Q}_p] \text{codim}(F_v^+ V) \leq \text{rk}_A(\text{Sel}(K_{\infty}, A)^{\vee}) \leq r \cdot r_2(K)
\]

where $r$ is the dimension of $V$.

**Proof:** By the Assumption II and Theorem 3.2, we have

\[
\text{rk}_A(H^1(G_S(K_{\infty}), A)^{\vee}) = r \cdot r_2(K).
\]

Hence $\text{rk}_A(\text{Sel}(K_{\infty}, A)^{\vee}) \leq r \cdot r_2(K)$. In the same way one calculates with the results above to obtain

\[
\text{rk}_A(\bigoplus_{S} H^1(K_{\infty,v}, A/F_v^+ A)) = \sum_{v \in S_p} [K_v : \mathbb{Q}_p].
\]

Hence from the exact sequence we get the other inequality

\[
r \cdot r_2(K) - \sum_{v \in S_p} [K_v : \mathbb{Q}_p] \text{codim}(F_v^+ V) \leq \text{rk}_A(\text{Sel}(K_{\infty}, A)^{\vee}).
\]

\[\square\]
The proof of [OV, Proposition 5.3] was not given, so we shall give it here.

**Proposition 5.2.** Suppose that \( 3 \leq \text{cd}_p(G) = \dim(G) \) and \( \dim(G) > \text{cd}_p(G_v) = \dim(G_v) \) and \( \dim(G_v) \geq 2 \) for any \( v \nmid p \), and assume the morphism \( \phi \) in the sequence (23) is surjective and the Assumption II. Then if \( A(K_\infty)\) has a nontrivial finite submodule, then \( \text{pd}_A(\text{Sel}(K_\infty,A)^\vee) = \dim(G) - 1 \) and if \( A(K_\infty)\) has no finite submodule, then \( \text{pd}_A(\text{Sel}(K_\infty,A)^\vee) = \dim(G) - 2 \).

**Proof:** In this proof we also determine the projective dimension of \( X = H^1(G_S(K_\infty),A)^\vee \) under the same assumptions in the statement. Let \( M \) be a \( \Lambda \)-module such that it is a finitely generated \( \mathbb{Z}_p \)-module. Then if it has no finite submodule, then \( \text{pd}_A(M) = \dim(G) \), and if it has a nontrivial finite submodule, then \( \text{pd}_A(M) = \dim(G) + 1 \). This follows from Proposition 2.2. Indeed putting \( n = \dim(G) = \text{cd}_p(G) \). By Proposition 2.2, if it has no finite submodule, then \( E^n(M) \neq 0 \), hence \( \text{pd}_A(M) \geq \dim(G) \) and if it has a nontrivial finite submodule, then \( E^{n+1}(M) \neq 0 \) and \( \text{pd}_A(M) \geq \dim(G) + 1 \). But in any case \( \text{pd}_A(M) \leq \dim(G) + 1 \) ([Br, 4.1]).

Now we recall the well-known fact from homological algebra: Given an exact sequence \( 0 \to N \to M \to L \to 0 \), then we have

\[
\text{pd}_A(M) \leq \max\{\text{pd}_A(N), \text{pd}_A(L)\}.
\]

and if it is not equality, then \( \text{pd}_A(N) = \text{pd}_A(L) - 1 \). Now we show the claim in the case that \( A(K_\infty)\) has no finite submodule. We have the exact sequence \( 0 \to J \to \Lambda(G)[A] \to A(K_\infty)\) \( \to 0 \), and since \( \text{pd}_A(A(G)[A]) = 0, \text{pd}_A(J) = n - 1 \). Now let us look at another sequence \( 0 \to X \to Y \to J \to 0 \). By the assumption II, it is known from the Diagram 2.1 that \( \text{pd}_A(Y) \leq 1 \). As \( n - 1 \geq 2 \) by another assumption, \( \text{pd}_A(X) = n - 2 \).

Repeat the same thing with \( H^1(K_{v,\infty},A)^\vee \). Then with the assumption \( \dim(G) > \dim(G_v) \) we get \( \text{pd}_A(X_v) < n - 2 \). Since \( \dim(G_v) \geq 2 \), if \( v \) does not divide \( p \), then \( H^1(K_{v,\infty},A)^\vee = 0 \). Hence

\[
\text{pd}_A\left(\bigoplus_{S} \text{Ind}_{G}^{G_v} H^1(K_{v,\infty},A)^\vee\right) = \max\left\{ \text{pd}_A\left(\bigoplus_{S} \text{Ind}_{G}^{G_v} H^1(K_{v,\infty},A)^\vee\right) < n - 2.\right.
\]

Now from the long exact sequence above in the beginning of this section and (27), we get \( \text{pd}_A(\text{Sel}(K_\infty,A)^\vee) = \dim(G) - 2 \).

The case that \( A(K_\infty)^\vee \) contains a nontrivial finite submodule goes similarly.

\[\square\]

6. **Galois Groups as Iwasawa Modules**

In this section we consider the “original” case of Iwasawa theory, i.e., the case \( A = \mathbb{Q}_p / \mathbb{Z}_p \) with trivial Galois action. Let \( K \) be a global number field and \( S \) a finite set of places of \( K \) containing all primes above \( p \) and \( \infty \). The dual of the cohomology groups are isomorphic to Galois groups as \( \Lambda \)-modules, that is, \( \mathcal{X} = \text{Gal}(L/K_\infty) = \text{Sel}(K_\infty,\mathbb{Q}_p / \mathbb{Z}_p)^\vee \) and \( X = \text{Gal}(M/K_\infty) = H^1(G_S(K_\infty),\mathbb{Q}_p / \mathbb{Z}_p)^\vee \), where \( M \) is the maximal abelian pro-\( p \) \( S \)-ramified extension of \( K_\infty \) and \( L \) is the maximal unramified extension of \( K_\infty \). We also consider the extension \( L' \), the subextension of \( L \), in which all primes of \( K_\infty \) split completely. Write \( \mathcal{X}' = \text{Gal}(L'/K_\infty) \). We assume \( K_\infty/K \) is a pro-\( p \) Lie extension such that its associated Iwasawa algebra has no nonzero divisor. For the results in this section the following is crucial

**Assumption III:** No finite place of \( S_f(K) \) splits completely in \( K_\infty \).
The groups of global and local units are very important: In the following \( L \) denotes any finite extension of \( K \) contained in \( K_\infty \).

1. \( E_\infty = \lim_L E'(L) \), where \( E'(L) \) is \( p \)-adic completion of units of \( L \): \( E'(L) = \mathcal{O}_L^\times \otimes \mathbb{Z}_p \).
2. \( E_{S,\infty} = \lim_L E_{S}'(L) \), where \( E_{S}'(L) \) is \( p \)-adic completion of \( S \)-units of \( L \): \( E_{S}'(L) = \mathcal{O}_S^\times \otimes \mathbb{Z}_p \).
3. \( U_{S,\infty} = \bigoplus_{v \in S} \text{Ind}_G^{G_v} U_v'(L_v) \), where \( U_v'(L) \) is \( p \)-adic completion of units of \( L_v \).
4. \( A_{S,\infty} = \bigoplus_{v \in S} \text{Ind}_G^{G_v} A_v(L_v) \), where \( A_v(L_v) = \lim L^x / L^{x+p^n} \).

The basic diagram connecting these modules is the following ([NSW, 11.3.10]):

\[
0 \longrightarrow H^2(G_S(K_\infty), \mathbb{Q}_p / \mathbb{Z}_p) \longrightarrow E_{S,\infty} \longrightarrow A_{S,\infty} \longrightarrow X_S \longrightarrow \mathfrak{x}' \longrightarrow 0
\]

\[
0 \longrightarrow H^2(G_S(K_\infty), \mathbb{Q}_p / \mathbb{Z}_p) \longrightarrow E_\infty \longrightarrow U_{S,\infty} \longrightarrow X_S \longrightarrow \mathfrak{x} \longrightarrow 0
\]

There is also the following exact sequence:

\[
0 \rightarrow E_\infty \rightarrow E_{S,\infty} \rightarrow \bigoplus_{S_{un}} \text{Ind}_G^{G_v} \mathbb{Z}_p \rightarrow \mathfrak{x} \rightarrow \mathfrak{x}' \rightarrow 0,
\]

where \( S_{un} := \{ \nu \in S(k) \mid p^\infty \nmid f_\nu \} \) and \( f_\nu = f(k_\infty, \nu / k_\nu) \) denotes the degree of the extension of the corresponding residue class fields.

Now by the Assumption III, \( \bigoplus S \text{Ind}_G^{G_v} \mathbb{Z}_p \) is torsion, so \( \mathfrak{x}' \) is torsion if and only if \( \mathfrak{x} \) is torsion.

The main result of this section is the following

**Theorem 6.1.** \( \mathfrak{x}' \) and \( \mathfrak{x} \) are torsion \( \Lambda \)-modules under the Assumption III.

**Lemma 6.2.** Under the Assumption III, \( H^2(G_S(K_\infty), A) = 0 \) if and only if \( \text{III}^1(G_S(K_\infty), A^x)^\vee \) is \( \Lambda \)-torsion.

**Proof:** By [OV, Proposition 4.10 (ii)], \( H^2(G_S(K_\infty), A) = 0 \) if and only if \( Z_A(K_\infty) \) (see loc. cit. for the definition) is \( \Lambda \)-torsion. From Poitou-Tate’s global duality, we have the following exact sequence

\[
0 \rightarrow \text{III}^1(G_S(K_\infty), A) \rightarrow Z_A(K_\infty) \rightarrow \bigoplus_S (A^r)^\vee \otimes_{\Lambda(G_v)} \Lambda(G).
\]

By the Assumption III, \( \bigoplus_S (A^r)^\vee \otimes_{\Lambda(G_v)} \Lambda(G) \) is \( \Lambda \)-torsion. Hence \( Z_A(K_\infty) \) is \( \Lambda \)-torsion if and only if \( \text{III}^1(K_\infty, A^r)^\vee \) is \( \Lambda \)-torsion. \( \square \)

**Lemma 6.3.** Under the assumption III, \( H^2(G_S(K_\infty), \mu_{p^\infty}) = 0 \).

**Proof:** Under the Assumption III,

\[
H^2(G_S(K_\infty), \mu_{p^\infty}) = \text{III}^2(K_\infty, \mu_{p^\infty}) = \lim \text{III}^1(G_{S}(K_n), \mathbb{Z} / p^n \mathbb{Z})
\]

\[
= \lim_{n,m} Cl_S(K_n) / p^m = \lim_{n} Cl_S(K_n) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}_p / \mathbb{Z}_p = 0
\]

since \( Cl_S(K_n) \) is finite for every \( n \). \( \square \)

**Proof of Theorem 6.1:**
It is easy to see that \( X' \cong \mathfrak{M}((K_{\infty}, \mathbb{Q}_p / \mathbb{Z}_p))^\vee \). Hence from the two lemmas above, \( X' \) is \( \Lambda \)-torsion under the assumption III. Hence so is \( X \) since \( X' \) is torsion if and only if \( X' \) is torsion.

**Remarks:**
1. In the case of any \( \mathbb{Z}_p \)-extension, Iwasawa proved that \( X \) is a finitely generated \( \Lambda \)-torsion module. This follows from our results immediately, as the Assumption III is satisfied if \( S_f \) is taken to be the set of all primes of \( K \) above \( p \).
2. It was claimed in [Ha1] that for a pro-\( p \) Lie extension \( K_{\infty}/K \) such that \( K \) contains \( \mu_p \), \( X \) is torsion (Theorem 3.3). However, the proof in [Ha1] was incorrect (but Harris himself has given a correct proof recently in [Ha2]). Our proof is quite different, and was discovered independently.

**Proposition 6.4.** Assume the Assumption III and \( H^2(G_S(K_{\infty}), \mathbb{Q}_p / \mathbb{Z}_p) = 0 \) (the weak Leopoldt conjecture). Then

1. \( \text{rk}_\Lambda(X_S) = r_2(K) \).
2. \( \text{rk}_\Lambda(A_{S,\infty}) = \text{rk}_\Lambda(U_{S,\infty}) = [K : \mathbb{Q}] \).
3. \( \text{rk}_\Lambda(E_{S,\infty}) = \text{rk}_\Lambda(E_\infty) = [K : \mathbb{Q}] - r_2(K) \).

**Proof:** From the vanishing assumption and Proposition 3.2, we get \( \text{rk}_\Lambda(X_S) = r_2(K) \).

There is an exact sequence (compare the sequence (28)):

\[
0 \to U_{S,\infty} \to A_{S,\infty} \to \bigoplus_{S_{un}} \text{Ind}_{G_p}^{G_e} \mathbb{Z}_p \to 0.
\]

Hence the Assumption III says \( \text{rk}_\Lambda(A_{S,\infty}) = \text{rk}_\Lambda(U_{S,\infty}) \). By Kummer theory,

\[
A_v(K_{\infty}) = \lim_i \left( \lim_n K_{\infty}^p / K_{\infty}^{p^n} \right) = \lim_i \left( \lim_n H^1(K_{v,i}, \mathbb{Z}_p(1)) \right).
\]

By Proposition 3.3,

\[
\text{rk}_\Lambda\left( \lim_i \left( H^1(K_{v,i}, \mathbb{Z}_p(1)) \right) \right) = \text{rk}_\Lambda\left( H^1(K_{\infty}, \mu_p) \right).
\]

But by Lemma 6.3, \( H^2(K_{\infty}, \mu_p) = 0 \), hence by Proposition 4.1, consequently we have \( \text{rk}_{\Lambda(G_v)}(A_v(K_{\infty,v})) = [K_v : \mathbb{Q}_p] \). Therefore we have \( \text{rk}_{\Lambda(G)}(A(G) \otimes_{\Lambda(G_v)} A_v(K_{\infty,v})) = \# \{ v \in S_p(K) \} \times [K_v : \mathbb{Q}_p] = [K : \mathbb{Q}] \).

As the sequence (28) shows, \( \text{rk}_\Lambda(E_{S,\infty}) = \text{rk}_\Lambda(E_\infty) \) under the Assumption III. But by now we know the ranks of \( X, X_S, U_{S,\infty} \) and \( A_{S,\infty} \). Hence from the diagram above we get \( \text{rk}_\Lambda(E_{S,\infty}) = \text{rk}_\Lambda(E_\infty) = [K : \mathbb{Q}] - r_2(K) \).

7. Abelian Varieties

Let \( X \) be an abelian variety defined over a finite extension \( K \) of \( \mathbb{Q} \), and \( X' \) denote the dual abelian variety of \( X \). Throughout this section we put \( A = X[p^\infty] \) and \( A^\ast = X'[p^\infty] \), and we consider the Selmer group \( \text{Sel}^{BK}(K_{\infty}, A) = \text{Sel}(X/K_{\infty}) \{ p \} \) over the field \( K_{\infty} = K(X[p^\infty]) \) and just write \( \text{Sel}(K_{\infty}, A) \) omitting \( BK \) from the notation. Fix a finite set \( S \) of places of \( K \) which contains all primes above \( p \) and \( \infty \) and all the primes where \( A \) has bad reduction. For an infinite extension \( K_{\infty} \) of \( K \), we have a long exact
sequence, which is very basic for the Iwasawa theory of an abelian variety:

\[ 0 \to \text{Sel}(K_\infty, A) \to H^1(G_S(K_\infty), A) \to \bigoplus_{v \in S(K)} \text{Coin}(G_{v_\infty}, H^1(K_\infty, v, X)(p)) \]

\[ \to (\varprojlim \text{Sel}(K_n, T_p X'))^\vee \to H^2(G_S(K_\infty), A). \]

In the classical Iwasawa theory this sequence is considered over a $\mathbb{Z}_p$-extension of $K$. In particular, when $X$ is an elliptic curve over $\mathbb{Q}$ and for the cyclotomic $\mathbb{Z}_p$-extension of $\mathbb{Q}$, then the structure of all these $\Lambda$-modules has been determined due to the recent work of K. Kato ([Ka]). In our case we can calculate the ranks of these modules, except the one of the Selmer group, relatively more easily than in $\mathbb{Z}_p$-cases. One reason is the following.

**Proposition 7.1.** (cf. [OV, 4.7]) Let $K_\infty$ be as above. Then $H^2(G_S(K_\infty), A) = 0$.

Another is the work of Coates and Greenberg on the Kummer theory for Selmer groups ([CG]). From now on we assume that $X$ has good reduction at all primes above $p$. Then according to [CG], $K_{v, \infty} = K_v(X[p^\infty])$ is a deeply ramified field ([CG] for the definition) where $v$ divides $p$, since it contains $K_v(\mu_{p^\infty})$ by the Weil pairing. Then there is the following isomorphism:

\[ H^1(K_{v, \infty}, X)(p) \cong H^1(K_{v, \infty}, \bar{X}[p^\infty]) \]

where $\bar{X}$ is mod-$p$ reduction of $X$, which is an abelian variety over an extension of $\mathbb{F}_p$ by assumption. From these we obtain the following.

**Proposition 7.2.** Let $K$ be a finite extension of $\mathbb{Q}_\ell$, $X$ an abelian variety over $K$ of dimension $g$, and $K_\infty = K(A)$. Assume that $X$ has good reduction. Put $G = \text{Gal}(K_\infty/K_0)$ and $\Lambda = \Lambda(G)$, where $K_0 = K(X[p])$. Let $r$ be the $p$-rank of $X$. First suppose $\ell \neq p$.

1. The $\Lambda$-rank of $H^1(K_\infty, A)^\vee$ is $2g[K_0 : \mathbb{Q}_p]$.
2. The $\Lambda$-rank of $H^1(K_\infty, X)(p)^\vee$ is $r[K_0 : \mathbb{Q}_p]$.
3. The $\Lambda$-rank of $(X(K_\infty) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p/Z_p)^\vee$ is $(2g - r)[K_0 : \mathbb{Q}_p]$.
4. Now suppose $\ell = p$. Then $H^1(K_\infty, A) = H^1(K_\infty, X)(p)$ is $\Lambda$-torsion.

**Proof:** The first and second statements follow from Theorem 4.1 and the isomorphism (31). For 3, use the well-known exact sequence:

\[ 0 \to X(K_\infty) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p/Z_p \to H^1(K_\infty, A) \to H^1(K_\infty, X)(p) \to 0. \]

and the isomorphism (31). Note if $\ell \neq p$, $X(K_\infty) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p/Z_p = 0$. The last statement follows from Proposition 4.5.

**Remark:** The reason why we take $K_0$ as the base field is that the Galois group $G = \text{Gal}(K_\infty/K_0)$ is a uniform group ([DSMS]) and therefore $\Lambda(G)$ is an integral domain.

The results in the global situation are the following. First let us prepare the following notation (as above, $r_v$ denotes the $p$-rank):

\[ \alpha_v = r_v[K_{0,v} : \mathbb{Q}_p] \text{ for } v \in S_p; \]

\[ \alpha_p = \sum_{v \in S_p} \alpha_v; \]
\[ \beta_v = (g - r_v)[K_{0,v} : \mathbb{Q}_p] \text{ for } v \in S_p; \]
\[ \beta_p = \sum_{v \in S_p} \beta_v. \]

**Proposition 7.3.** Let \( K \) be a finite extension of \( \mathbb{Q} \), \( X \) an abelian variety over \( K \) of dimension \( g \), and \( K_{\infty} = K(A) \). Put \( G = \text{Gal}(K_{\infty}/K_0) \) and \( \Lambda = \Lambda(G) \). Then

1. The \( \Lambda \)-rank of \( H^1(G_S(K_{\infty}), A)^{\vee} \) is \( g[K_0 : \mathbb{Q}_p] \).
2. \( H^2_{Iw}(K_{\infty}, T_pX) \) is \( \Lambda \)-torsion. The rank of \( H^1_{Iw}(K_{\infty}, T_pX) \) is also \( g[K_0 : \mathbb{Q}] \), which is torsion-free.
3. The \( \Lambda \)-rank of \( \Lambda(G) \otimes_{\Lambda(G_v)} H^1(K_{\infty,v}, X)(p)^{\vee} \) is \( \alpha_v \) for any \( v \in S_p \).
4. \( rk_\Lambda(Sel(K_{\infty}, A)^{\vee}) - rk_\Lambda(\lim Sel(K_n, T_pX'))^{\vee} = \beta_p \). In particular,
\[ rk_\Lambda(Sel(K_{\infty}, A)^{\vee}) \geq \sum_{\mathfrak{v} \in S_p} (g - r_v)[K_{0,v} : \mathbb{Q}_p]. \]

**Proof:** The first statement is obtained by using Theorem 3.2 with Proposition 7.1. This time we use the long exact sequence which is in the beginning of this section. \( H^2_{Iw}(K_{\infty}, T_pA) \) is \( \Lambda \)-torsion because of Proposition 7.1 and [OV, 4.10]. The rank of \( H^1_{Iw}(K_{\infty}, T_pA) \) is \( r_2(K_0) \) by Theorem 3.3 and 1. The third statement follows from Proposition 7.2. The last statement follows from the long exact sequence in the beginning of this section and Proposition 5.1. \( \square \)

The following is the fundamental conjecture on the Selmer group:

**Conjecture 7.4.**
\[ rk_\Lambda(Sel(K_{\infty}, A)^{\vee}) = \sum_{\mathfrak{v} \in S_p} (g - r_v)[K_{0,v} : \mathbb{Q}_p]. \]

This would follow if the similar conjectures due to Mazur (ordinary case) and Schneider in the cyclotomic \( \mathbb{Z}_p \)-case are proven for any finite extension of \( \mathbb{Q} \) ([Sc2], also [CH, 2.4]). We end this paper with the projective dimension of the Selmer group of an elliptic curve without complex multiplication.

**Theorem 7.5.** Assume \( E \) is an elliptic curve without complex multiplication, has good reduction at any prime over \( p \), and that the above rank conjecture holds. Let \( K_{\infty} \) be \( K(E[p^{\infty}]) \). Then the projective dimension of \( Sel(K_{\infty}, E[p^{\infty}])^{\vee} \) is 2.

**Proof:** This follows from Proposition 5.2 and Serre’s calculation of the dimension of the Galois groups (see [Sc2] and [CH]) and a result in [ST], which says that there is no bad reduction of additive type over \( K_0 \), and hence \( \text{dim}(G_v) = 2 \) or 3 maybe except the case \( E \) has supersingular reduction at \( v \). But this case may be excluded thanks to the isomorphism (31). Hence we can say \( G \) and \( G_v \) satisfy the condition in Proposition 5.2 (\( \text{dim}(G) = 4 \) and \( 4 > \text{dim}(G_v) \geq 2 \) for any \( v \)). Proposition 7.3.4 shows that the Conjecture implies the surjectivity of the map \( \phi \) in the sequence (23), because the Conjecture with the vanishing of \( H^2(G_S(K_{\infty}), E[p^{\infty}]) \) implies that \( \lim Sel(K_n, T_pE) \) is torsion. But \( \bigoplus_{\mathfrak{v} \in S(K_0)} H^1(K_{\infty,v}, E[p^{\infty}]) \) has no nontrivial torsion submodule by Proposition 4.5. Hence \( \lim Sel(K_n, T_pE) = 0 \) and therefore \( \phi \) is surjective. \( \square \)

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